Ambulance Service Advisory Board

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Educational Standards Committee

Meeting Notice

November 24, 2015

A meeting of the Educational Standards Committee of the Ambulance Service Advisory Board will be held on Tuesday, November 24, 2015 at 1000, Bristol Fie Dept. 4 Annawamscutt Dr., Bristol, RI 02809. This meeting will be held in accordance with Rhode Island open meetings law.

Agenda

1.) Establishment of Quorum

Present: Mike DeMello, Ray Medeiros, John Potvin, Bethany Gingerella, Todd Manni (Proxy for Jason Rhodes), Tom Caito, Tina Gonsalves, Ken Williams Guests: Jeff Howe, Al Peterson, Rick Blais, Joe DeAngelis, Sean Thompson, Bill Howe

- 2.) Call to Order- 1016
- 3.) Announcements- Introduction of Membership
- 4.) Review/Consent Agenda

 Motion to accept made by Tom Caito, Second Potvin. Motion carried.
- Review of Minutes
 Motion to accept previous minutes made by Tom Caito, Second Potvin.
 Motion carried.
- 6.) Correspondence-None

7.) Old Business

a.) Instructor Training Program guidelines

Would like to have a template for the March ASAB meeting that would provide guidance for institutions training new EMS instructors

b.) Program Director & Instructor classifications

Accreditation will dictate nomenclature, no need to create additional license levels

c.) RN to EMT

Separate program would be counter-productive; RN's looking to become an EMT can just take the course as it stands, motion to drop any further action on this made by Gingerella, 2nd Potvin. Motion carried.

d.) National Continued Competency Program for RI

RI Continued competency would replace the traditional refresher requirements set forth in the 1996 & 2001 refresher guidelines. Recertification can still be run in-house similar to what is done now, but subject matter would be based on national, local, and individual requirements. This provides Instructor-Coordinators the ability cover national topics and work in local state or service specific training. Nearly half of the training could be accomplished via distributive education, reducing time and cost compared to refresher programs currently. RI CCP would be available as of 7/1/16, pending coordination with the NREMT for those that are nationally registered. Motion to bring the RI CCP with implementation date of 7/1/16, with the provision to adopt earlier should a service so choose, to the full board for the December 2015 meeting made by Caito and seconded by Potvin. Medeiros abstained at this time. Motion carried.

8.) New Business

a.) Other items of interest to committee members

Medeiros asked if other members were aware of the confusion regarding what was worked on by the ESC committee versus what Health has required with the AEMT Cardiac program. Many members were not aware of the changes requiring a student to complete the AEMT course first, pass the exams, and then return for Cardiac education. Further information will be gathered as to the reasoning for this change.

9.) Adjournment

Motion made by Caito 1145.